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AMENDMENT**In the Specification:**

Please amend the paragraph at page 52, lines 17-27 to read as follows:

In an alternate embodiment of the resealable closure 24, shown in Fig. 3A, the adhesive 50 may be applied first to the release liner 48. In this embodiment, when the resealable closure 24 is constructed, but before it has been applied to the bag 10, the adhesive 50 is covered and protected by a release layer 62 64. This release layer 62 64 is removed at the time the upper closure of the bag 10 is originally closed, at which time the adhesive 50 becomes bonded to the inner surface 42 of the flap portion 30. The release layer 62 64 may be formed of the same material as a release liner 60 described below. In this embodiment, at the time the upper closure of the bag 10 is originally closed, the resealable closure 24 has the same appearance as shown in Fig. 4.